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# ROYAL AND SOCIETY NEWS.

*(Exclusive to "Modern Life.")*

## THE WICKED STATEMENTS ABOUT KING MANOEL.

Everything is going along nicely with the young Royal couple in Sigmaringen, and no further anticipations of trouble need be indulged in. The illness of Queen Augusta Victoria was carefully explained in a recent number of this journal, and we are pleased to be able to state that it is taking a normal course, though the irritation of the kidneys has not yet subsided. That, of course, cannot be expected just yet. But many a rash young couple have had to put up with the same disability, and apart from the anxiety and pain it is perhaps a blessing in disguise. All the talk which irresponsible people with puerile minds have indulged in about King Manoel having communicated a disease to his bride is sheer mendacity, on a par with the *Daily Mail's* statement that "the possibility of anything beyond a nominal reconciliation between the Royal pair is not credited here" (Vienna).

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### 'The Best of Friends."

We are surprised that the Editor of the *Mail* could allow such reckless and unwarrantable tintinnabulating to go through his pages! No reconciliation between King Manoel and Queen Augusta is required, for there has been no breach between them. Thousands of young brides have suffered the same trouble that has spoilt the honeymoon of Queen Augusta, and ever since it happened, distressing as was the occasion, King Manoel and his bride have been the best of friends, and deeply sympathetic with each other. It is time the daily papers recovered a little of their former guardedness in referring to people whose station renders them above refutation of the slanders uttered concerning them, and we trust that none of the London journals will again be guilty of asserting, as the *Daily Mail* did the other day, that "within three days of the marriage irreconcilable incompatibility of temperament had caused the Queen to desert the King." We can only add that this statement is a lie!

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### "Modern Life's" Official Pronouncement the Only True One.

In view of the long lives which King Manoel and Queen Augusta are destined to pass in this country, it is all-important that there should be left no misconception as to the nature of Queen Augusta's illness. As we go to press, two circumstances are reported which show how necessary this is. Another effort to re-establish King Manoel on his lost throne has failed in Lisbon; while the young couple immediately upon arriving at Queen Augusta's old home at Sigmaringen authorised a final account of Her Majesty's indisposition to be circulated. It is as follows:—

"We (Queen Augusta's physicians) declare, as was already done in the first statement, in the most positive manner, that bacteriologically it has been established beyond doubt that intestinal bacteria were the exclusive cause of the illness. All rumours as to another cause of illness are completely devoid of foundation."

We are glad to be able to point out that the first journal Britain to announce unambiguously the real character Queen Augusta's illness was *Modern Life*. When all other journals were feverishly struggling to penetrate sanctity of the bridal chamber in Munich *Modern* secured the first and only complete and authoritative nouncement upon the subject. In our issue of October we stated that Queen Augusta was suffering from the condition known as Defloration Nephritis (in which coliform bacillus is forced up into the kidneys)—"a form inflammation which does occasionally follow upon the ment of a wedding, though it is a trouble which is followed by recovery when the cause is absent." The other journal which secured the truth on the subject the *Daily Sketch*, which two days after our issue was on verified our dictum in an exclusive despatch from Mun The *Daily Sketch's* correspondent was actually shown physician's reports by the Marquis de Lavradio, Manoel's secretary in Munich. The document stated:—

"After a thorough examination of the blood and fur symptoms the doctors were able to diagnose the ca not being typhus, but an attack of the bacterium the early symptoms of which are somewhat simila typhus."

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### The Illness of Monarchs.

That is all which need be said on the subject. Bu illnesses of monarchs are things which the gossips jo jangle over. The historians are still jangling on the of the death of Napoleon III. at Camden Place—wh he died of an over-dose of chloral administered accide by Dr. Corvisart, or from simple blood-poisoning. world still wants to know whether King Edward's sister of cancer acquired from her husband, or whether she from some other cause. But dead people suffer nothing the speculations of the living upon their illnesses. Fo monarchial living, however, it is different, and as Manoel has chosen this country as the scene of what be a life-long exile, we desire that simple justice shou done him and his Queen.

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### Another Hohenzollern Princess who was Q of Portugal.

By the way, we are constantly being reminded by papers that there is a tradition in the Hohenzollern f that one of its daughters would sit on the throne of Port and that is how it happened that King Manoel got his duction to the Queen Augusta. Which, of course, is and nonsense. As it happens, Queen Augusta does n on the throne of Portugal, for that throne has no occup but if she did she would not be the first of her fami have that distinction. It is nearly half a century ago English people who were specially interested in Roy took note of a very pretty young Queen of Portugal who a brief visit to this country, on her way to Lisbon. was Princess Stephanie of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, her marriage had just taken place in Berlin to Pedro Portugal. The couple were both under twenty-one a time, and the match was an "arranged" affair, with no tence to sentiment on either side. But, like all the Roy of Portugal, they were pre-destined to tragedy, and had more than their share. Queen Victoria and the Consort naturally paid much attention to the young Q (who had never seen her husband, she having been m by proxy), both on account of her German origin, and because she was a grand-daughter of Stephanie de B harnais, Grand Duchess of Baden, niece of the Empe Josephine's first husband, and adopted daughter of the Napoleon.

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### Recent Tragedies of the Portuguese Royal Fam

The young Queen reached Lisbon all right and received by her bridegroom and his people with all honours. In little more than two years she and her husband were dead, leaving no children; and two of King's brothers likewise died, mainly, it was supposed, consequence of the insanitary conditions of the palaces. Queen Victoria's consort, who was ailing at time, was deeply affected by the death of his Portug relations, and died himself a month after King Pedro. The succeeding King, Pedro's brother, Louis, also m by proxy, though, like the dead Pedro, he was also for in the bride selected for him. She was that Queen Pia who died two years ago, and who was a daughter Italy's King Victor Emmanuel II. She, of course, is the grandmother of King Manoel, but the difference be

the late King Carlos, and herself, was seldom for he was a huge big man, while she was only ars older than himself, and always dressed very and was, too, very good-looking. She was brought oa to become the wife of King Louis of Portugal e was fifteen years old, and King Carlos was born en months later.

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**rthcoming De La Warr "Restitution" Case.**

De La Warr "restitution" case will not provide the th anything "spicy." It has all been beautifully ed"! Lord De La Warr is an expert at the business. first wife got a restitution order against him the carried through with wonderful adroitness. The his Lordship a "lawyer's letter," asking him to her. Lord De La Warr replied that he wouldn't, you are! Justice Jeune carefully protected the couple from any "details" leaking out, and shut up one enterprising barrister who sought to *cause célèbre* out of the story and, incidentally, to own name in the papers as a Society gownsman. Lady De La Warr was one of Earl Brassey's rs; the second is a daughter of Colonel Tredcroft. t the lady, however, who was the cause of the first Lord De La Warr is a Sackville—a family which has usually been in trouble of one kind or another. De La Warr is only forty-four, and a very business- ow, but he cannot abide the matrimonial yoke. By Countess he has two daughters and a son, Lord rt, who is now ten. Lord De La Warr was a good a chap until he went out to the war in South Africa, affair seemed to have spoilt him for the domestic ough he wasn't long in marrying a second time after divorce. Lord De La Warr has a fine house at which town he has practically "created" as a sea- ort, and he is, in consequence, very well off. His o boasts a remarkable ancestry, and the De La Warr was originally created as far back as 1299. The De ers used to be Sackville-Wests, but his Lordship's the seventh Earl, dropped the West, and the Sack- sts are now exclusively represented by Kidlet's

De La Warr's eldest daughter, Lady Idina Sackville, been engaged to Mr. Wallace, of the "Second

**The Trouble at Quidenham Hall.**

Some of our noble families spend most of their time in arranging how they can best avoid meeting people with whom they are not upon "speaking terms." Frequently these unwanted ones are blood relations, and though lords and ladies take every precaution to keep their family squabbles "out of print" one-half the peerage hates the other half, and family feuds often last for generations. Naturally enough, however, as little as possible is said on these matters, and it occasionally happens that a peer accidentally invites to his country seat someone whose appearance creates consternation amongst the other people staying in the mansion. The shooting guests of the Earl and Countess of Albemarle down in Norfolk have just been enjoying the delights of conjuring the family dispute which will have to be settled between the Keppels when they (the visitors) are all again at a safe distance.

Lord Albemarle is very hospitable, and "well connected"! For the best part of a century his family have been prominently identified with the Court, old "Harry" Keppel having been perhaps on a more familiar footing with the Royal Family than any man of his time. He was, for one thing, the only man Queen Alexandra was ever knowingly photographed with alone, though as that event was in celebration of the Admiral's ninetieth birthday it was a harmless enough occasion, and Queen Alexandra was wont to confide in Sir Harry Keppel as if he had been her own father. The veteran's son is the popular Sir Colin Keppel, who now commands the Royal yacht, and is counted by King George as one of his own particular coterie.

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**Why did the Dowager go to London so Hurriedly?**

But the Keppels are not quite the most united family in the peerage, by any means. Keppels are scattered all over East Anglia, but they aren't to be found in the list of Lord Albemarle's guests for his shooting this month. The Albemarles always have a person of the first rank as "chief guest." Four years ago King Edward was their guest for a week-end at Quidenham Hall; this year it is the Duke of Leeds. Lord and Lady Harlech, Mr. Hugo and Lady Evelyn Baring, the Hon. Norah McGarel Hogg, James Mason and his wife, Lady Evelyn, Sir Savile and Lady Crossley, and a few commoners make up a party which, though not dis-

CONSOLATION.

: "I don't think you need call again. You are not true to me. That little flirt Miss Smythe has quite turned your head!" Oh I say! Don't be hard on a fellow. You don't think I'm true to her either, do you?"

SHOCKS AND SNARES.

Caller: "Are you the broker?"
Disappointed Client: "No, I'm the broke."

tinguished for its genius, represents millions sterling in wealth.

Amidst such a crowd it is natural perhaps that likes and dislikes should be difficult to harmonise with complete facility, and so the Albemarles discovered. Anyway, the old Dowager Countess, Lord Albemarle's mother, refused to stop in the house after certain of her son's guests had been at Quidenham more than twenty-four hours, and having called for her carriage and had her rugs and bags quickly packed, she drove off to the station and returned to town. Lady Hilda Keppel, Lord Albemarle's sister, was in sympathy with her mother, and she returned to London with the Dowager. Lady Hilda is going abroad shortly, and will probably winter in Rome. The Attleborough corner of Norfolk now has a nine-days' talk all to itself!

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**Our Oldest Colonial Peeress.**

The Dowager Countess of Albemarle has always been a woman of much spirit. She is the oldest of our Colonial peeresses, and she spent her early life in Canada, where her father, the Hon. Sir Allan Macnab, was Prime Minister. He was created a baronet, but died many years ago, and is now forgotten. His daughter Sophia's marriage to the seventh Earl of Albemarle took place nearly sixty years ago, and her son, the present Earl, is fifty-four years old. Lord Albemarle has maintained the reputation of his family as a soldier, and he took the C.I.V.s to South Africa, and was ing the battles of Welkin, Zand River, Johannesburg, and Diamond Hill.

He is a good-looking fellow, and a useful man among the East Anglians, where all his life he has been a keen champion of the amateur soldiers of Norfolk. His wife is the only child and heiress of the late Earl Egerton of Tatton. A headless man is said to drive past Quidenham Hall once a year. The hall is a very commodious and snug residence, and the rooms in it are named after the battles in which the members of the family have figured. Waterloo, of course, has a big place at Quidenham. The Keppels are Dutchmen, who came over with William of Orange, and were ennobled by William III. as Viscounts Burys and Earls of Albemarle. The old Dowager Countess's husband was one of Queen Victoria's favourite courtiers, and having arrived at Cabinet rank he was called to sit in the House of Lords in his father's life-time as "Lord Ashford."

**A Romance of the Keppels.**

One of Lord Albemarle's brothers is the husband of well-known Mrs. George Keppel, who in the days of was so much admired by King Edward. It was a room Keppel who wrote "Robin Adair," one of Patti's fav songs. She was Lady Caroline Keppel, and her refused to allow her to marry the young medico with she was in love. So, like a true British lady of blood dried her tears, wrote a sonnet, and settled down maidenhood. But the medico didn't care a rap for Albemarle, and so Lady Caroline married Robin Adair the sly," and ere long the adventurous surgeon had Sergeant-Surgeon to King George III., and the fa Sir Robert Adair, who was destined to be the fri Charles James Fox. Lord Albemarle's son married the Marquis of Lincolnshire's daughters three years ago the young couple have started house on their own and often seen at Quidenham. Nor are they there during Earl's great October shoot!

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**A Woman's Folly.**

Prince Joseph de Caraman Chimay's death has attention to the sad wreck his wife, the lovely Ame heiress Clara Ward, made of her life through her jo tion for the Gipsy conductor of a Tsigane orchestra had everything almost that money could buy (her fa rich shipowner, left her two millions) and her tall fair made her a queen among women, yet she sacrificed for the sake of an overdressed man named Rigo, a black-moustached individual of middle age, with an a fatuous smile, and a fondness for cheap jewellery dis in lavish fashion about his person. Disillusionment ever, soon followed, so too did a divorce, and then the cess married again, her third husband being an Italia man employed on the railway at Mount Vesuvius. D also followed this union. Clara ex-Princess de Ca Chimay has still a warm corner in her heart for the musician, for the year before last while he was cond a small band in a Paris café in the Montmartre dis a tall fair woman with the remains of great beauty have been seen visiting him, accompanied by her daug fair-haired girl of nine or ten. They apparently were friends, for when the woman parted from her second pa it was with an endearing term.

# PLAIN SPEAKING.

**ays and the Public.**

a railway disaster there is always a tremendous rush r-writers to the daily newspapers, and nearly every- as something to suggest which will prevent a repeti- the accident. It is traditionally easy to be wise e event, but this is an adage which scarcely fits the or there is little doubt that a large proportion of rail- idents could be prevented if the railway companies only adopt appliances and devices which are already tence. It needs a shocking disaster to bring that me to the public, but unfortunately the public way forgets it until there comes along another e reminder in the shape of still another smash. This of the disadvantages which necessarily follows from g the railways of the country to remain under the of private companies whose object is to earn dividends ir shareholders and not to serve the public good. It ely a matter of money in most cases. Take the epi- of accidents through falling out of trains, which the holiday season. Cause—the failure of the com- owing to the expense involved, to fit one or other of ny safety catches on the market. Take the shocking mortality to shunters and other men engaged in raffic. Cause—the refusal of the companies to fit one r of the automatic couplings which are enforced on foreign railways. Take the Liverpool railway dis- Cause—economy in employing a man and a boy, of two men, in a busy signal-box. And so the tale . If the companies cannot afford to take these abso- necessary precautions it is plain that the manage- must be handed over to the State, which would be to take them by force of the public opinion which effect upon dividend-hunting railway directors. This of the things that is driving this country inevitably onalisation of railways, and the sooner that comes ter.

**Street and Theatre Collections.**

The Trafalgar Square Socialists have been denouncing the police for prohibiting street collections in various districts of London, ungraciously citing as unjust favouritism the liberty which was allowed to "ten thousand daintily attired ladies to collect in the streets on Alexandra Day." As none of the ladies who so offended can hope to benefit personally from their efforts in aid of hospitals which shelter almost entirely poorer members of the community we think it is very bad manners to drag them into this controversy. Alexandra Day is a recognised institution which secures a large amount of money from the public in a quite charming way—and money that otherwise would remain in the public pocket. But let that pass! The fact of the matter is that the line must be drawn somewhere, and our complaint is that the police do not draw it rigidly enough. Even as it is, it is almost impossible to enter a railway station, or a tram at an important stopping-place, without having a collection-box thrust in one's face. Even more difficult is it to enter a theatre without running the gauntlet of collectors for some charity or other, and the thing has become a perfect nuisance which should be abated and not increased. We should like the police to adopt more stringent regulations with regard to the matter, and to keep a stricter supervision over those who thus try to extort charity, for we are quite sure that some of the "charities" touted for are of the variety that begin at home, and anyhow the public objects to be persistently blackmailed, even in a good cause.

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**Is the Revue Dead?***

Various writers keep assuring us that the revue is dead, but if so we can only say that its corpse shows an amazing amount of vitality. Round at the London Opera House the other evening we found the huge theatre full almost to overflowing, and though the audiences at this particular place of entertainment are inclined to be blasé there was every indication that the magnificent spectacle provided—a programme teeming with good things—was thoroughly enjoyed. It may be true that the revue is overdone—also very considerably underdone by some of the touring shows, of which we saw a particularly crude specimen at the Pal-

("*A strong attempt is being made at Vienna to introduce décolleté fashions for men*"—News par.)
**Above are a few suggestions for the benefit of our ultra-fashionable male readers.**

**Disgruntled Cow: "Nice things at my age! In the good old days I could amuse myself watching the trains go by. Now look what I am up against."**

ladium last week—but our impression is that there is, and always will be, room in London for two good revues. Probably the wish for the revues' demise is father to the thought, for there is no doubt that they are hitting the musical comedy shows very hard and will also probably make a big difference to the theatres which specialise in pantomime—because they are the same sort of thing given in a place where the spectators can smoke. Another likely explanation of the lugubrious prognostications is that the popularity of the revue synchronised with the popularity of ragtime, and people who are sick to death of syncopated "music" are inclined to regard the two as inseparable.

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### This Small World.

A gentleman who has just returned from a trip round the Torres Straits archipelago—which is somewhere "down under," we believe—has been giving some interesting details concerning the habits of the aborigines he encountered. The habits at weddings are particularly touching. It is an indispensable condition that the bridegroom must cry copiously when the nuptial knot is tied; but on the other hand the bride is full of mirth and receives the congratulations of all her friends. Strange how these simple semi-savages should artlessly display the feelings which we, more civilized mortals, have carefully to dissemble! The world is but a small place after all, and one touch of matrimony makes us all kin. These particular aborigines earn their living by fishing for pearls, which may or may not account for their childlike disposition, for neither our detectives nor our stars of the stage who indulge in this pleasant practice can exactly be described as unsophisticated. Our traveller returned describes the natives as immersed in superstition, in proof whereof he narrates that they "bury with their dead large quantities of food and drink"—a scarcely convincing argument in view of the similar habit which obtains with the "lower orders," of Great Britain and land upon such occasions.

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### The Pankhurst in America.

The incidents connected with the arriv Mrs. Pankhurst at New York have not a little amusing, and equally de ful is the evident satisfaction of misguided lady in being lionised public which with equal fervour would come a champion white pugilist, a Harry a freak religionist, or a notorious French mondaine. Not even her worst enemy accuse Mrs. Pankhurst of deficient know of the gentle art of advertising herself, an American immigration authorities have right into her hands by detaining her as desirable—though perhaps they had no in the matter. Anyhow she has made start in her dollar-hunting expedition and portion of her gains which reaches the funds will doubtless be expended in hir few more silly women to play the virago side of the Atlantic. That is all that real cerns us—otherwise the longer Mrs. Pank stayed in the States the better we should It would certainly have been the unfriendl unfriendly acts if the Washington Govern had deported her, and we can imagine amusement of Mr. Asquith and Mr. McK on reading her dramatic declaration to a of cynical press representatives: "There two men in London who will gnash their when they hear of my release. Asquith obstinate old man (everybody, of course, obstinate who does not worship Saint hurst), is one, and McKenna is the other. imagine they will both survive the shock even the further devastating news that Pankhurst's first audience was moved to by her account of the wickedness of the statesmen. It is absolutely certain that militant leader's reception in the U.S.A. cept for the dollars as aforesaid) won't ence public opinion here to the extent solitary row of pins.

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### A Great Soldier Advertiser.

The stage and the advertising world brilliant recruit some years ago when present Sir Robert Baden-Powell joined Army. As "B.P." showed at Mafeking, an unquenchable thirst for the limelight, and an unc *flair* for getting there on every possible occasion. one of the cheapest heroes the British Army ever pro but he *did* succeed in getting the public (the British that is, for he never was regarded as a hero in South itself) to take him at his own estimate—and it is a man who can do that. After the war he disappeared obscurity for a time, but quite unquenchable he m fresh bid for notoriety by starting the Boy Scout move which you have possibly heard about—at any rate haven't it is not B.P.'s fault. The Boy Scouts having to be regarded as one of the necessary evils in this Robert has once more made a dash for publicity achieved it, in a fashion which we regard as revoltin man. The daily papers during the last few days have printing a full page advertisement of somebody's extract with cold liver oil. Its special feature is a (passably well drawn) of four boy scouts and a testimonial to the virtues of that particular brand of and oil, these being from the pencil and pen of Sir Baden-Powell himself. We have got used to our s musical comedy stage advertising the virtues of tooth and that sort of thing, but we trust the nation will accept with equanimity the spectacle of one of its soldiers descending to such a level. We are not of "B.P.'s" financial position. Presumably he has respectable pension, and is otherwise fairly well off in this world's goods. Therefore he ought not, for sake of filthy lucre and undesirable notoriety, to butt in the already overcrowded profession of advertisement ing. There are far too many amateur journalists and artists nowadays, who don't need the money they, in effect, abstract from the pockets of poor devils are trying to make a living at the game. We wonder they think of "B.P.'s" latest exploit at the War and the Service Clubs!

# OTHER PEOPLE'S INDISCRETIONS

## AND THINGS WE HAVE HEARD.

Mr. George Graves pluck by its flowing beard that chal pleasantry anent "Spirits from the vasty deep," le it, and bury it in one of himself? And will he try his words one from another with a style as keenly ed as that with which he would cut a "prosser-pro."? t of clear enunciation is apparently a lost one, and ous absence extends to the variety stage. The bile," comique is evidencing as much lassitude in as in his joints.

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the Unionist party is once more praying to be from its friends.

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Wheeler Wilcox in favour of a "substi- war." The article re- itself into a suggested ption of the whole l population. This is ating the entire coat dog that bit you. It tituting butter for mar- Well meant, per- but the writer should o rhymes and tropes xameters, and things she understands. In matters she is out of d-meant. This too-too doesn't run easily. not again put in her

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aces where women and congregate the subject versation is ever the It used to be either rnal themes—servants hes. Now it's "men eir diseases." Illumi- What? And the of it is that, go where you can't get away And when women a good old subject—

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was the flourishing ea tradesman who re- put up at the Savoy in e of Captain B——, We wonder what he of the catering and also how it com- with his own?

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rtain hotel in South- known among the elect he Naughty." To use pression of a servant, the landings are fur- like rooms." One last week a dear old absolutely could not sleep. So at last, in sheer des- , she opened her door. "I really don't mind what , nor what you *do*," she said solemnly, "but if you possibly go somewhere else than outside my door I be obliged." "You see," said the man afterwards old the tale, "the dear old thing was so nervous and and she had quite forgotten she was as bald as a of lard." So there you are.

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kiss she gave me did not need an interpreter," r. Roy F. Johnson in the *Express*. Quite right! parties are always a nuisance on these occasions!

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there has been nothing quite like the indiscretion Duchess since the late Duke of Rutland put up his plea for "our old nobility."

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the Strelitzer took a lady of the musical stage to the Duchess's very small dance, and danced nobody else throughout the evening.

As a result the daughter of the house added to her reputation for plain speaking, for she is fearless, like her namesake Diana of old.

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That the absence of a wedding gift from the Kaiser is being much commented upon.

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The English Royal Family is much more interested in the fate of Hanover, once an appanage of the Crown, than is the general public.

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That inevitable, but perfectly discreet, sympathy with the King in exile has not tended to increase the good feeling between the Courts of St. James's and Berlin.

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That a belated recognition of the fact that loyal Hanoverians have really suffered for "the cause" is the real reason why the Guelph-Hohenzollern marriage has withered instead of freshening up the olive branch.

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The Editor of a weekly devoted to country life and pursuits was selecting some photographs of a coursing meeting. He had come to the last ones, but could not make up his mind which of two to use. At last he decided he would have a certain one, because, as he told the astounded photographic artist, the *dogs and rabbits* could be seen so plainly. Fact.

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Sir Henry Lewis, J.P., of Bangor, had a little daydream the other day, and imagined that he was in France. Addressing the Carnarvonshire Police Committee, he suggested that licence holders who are proceeded against under the Licensing Laws should be deemed guilty unless they could prove their innocence beyond all question. We fear that so long as the Union Jack flies o'er Wales this Christian daydream will not materialise; whether a person who possesses such perverted ideas of justice as underlie the statement we have quoted should be allowed to remain on the Bench is another question. Of course, licensees *must* be a bad lot, for they mix with a public quite uneducated to the subtle joys of ginger pop! We are glad to learn that other magistrates present declined, as the *Express* puts it, to subscribe to the principle that the prosecution should have the benefit of the doubt.

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Why is the wealthy stockbroker living just behind Park Lane so interested in the little milliner who meets him regularly at the Monico in Piccadilly, and does he know that a certain bosom friend of his wife's is watching the affair very closely?

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The name of the "anonymous" lady who was motoring with Mr. Lewis Waller, the actor, when the latter's car collided with a tram just outside Melbourne?

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Where does Christabel Pankhurst get all her "intimate" knowledge from. And is it a fact that "Chrissy" knows a lot more about men and their ways than she would like the world to know?

**She: "Can they tell a man's character from his handwriting?"**

**He: "Yes, if his letters are read in court."**

# ALPHONSE AND THE MINISTER.

Alphonse was a discreet waiter. He was the soul of discretion.

He was sleek as a cat. His smile was oily and his hands were too conversational. He could tell a whole story with his ten talents and his palm. But discretion was the better part of Alphonse, whose surname was Valeur. The prosperous management of the Ultra Cosmopolitan Hotel knew his worth, and he knew that they knew.

When the gentleman very high up in the State service took to dining *à deux* in the private Louis Seize room—the one with the plush padded door and the heavy curtains—with the smart little actress who was beginning to make a name, Alphonse was relieved of his other duties and deputed to spend his evening waiting on the distinguished couple. Alphonse of course knew their identity—he knew all the celebrities from diligent study of a paper you may have heard of, called the *Daily Mail* (daily circulation *six* times as large as that of any penny London morning journal). A significant finger placed upon the managerial lip and a significant droop of the managerial eyelid reminded Alphonse that the secret was not to be divulged.

Alphonse's application for a rise in commission, which followed almost immediately, was courteously acceded to.

Thus things progressed for some days.

The Cabinet Minister—"Mr. Jones"—was understood to be the actress's cousin. He always departed from the hotel by a private entrance, wearing a coat of quite different cut from that favoured by the Cabinet Minister, and limping painfully to his motor. The Cabinet Minister was famed as an athlete.

Not long after "Miss Smith" settled down in a large, handsome and luxurious suite of rooms in the Ultra Cosmopolitan—for which her cousin, with a true feeling of cousinship, settled up. She said she did not like flats—everybody had flats.

A little later she became the star in a big musical comedy production at the Theatre Très Chic. Writers in the snippy Society journals remarked that the Minister of the Ulterior, Lord Tom Noddy, was among the distinguished first-night audience. Lady Noddy, it may be added, accompanied her husband. The clever "star," Miss St. Georgie Deraggon, made a great hit.

Lady Noddy found that her husband was very often detained at the Ministry of the Ulterior (as he said per 'phone) when she did not think there was reasonable cause.

Miss St. Georgie Deraggon, duly installed in her suite, cast about for a confidential maid. What she wanted, she said, was a nice, sensible woman of thirty, who could keep secrets and manage things properly. Alphonse overheard a chance word on the subject.

Alphonse said nothing.

**THE MODERN ARCHANGEL MICHAEL.**
**(A vision inspired by recent proceedings at New York.)**

The next day Alphonse—quite accidentally, of cour dropped a letter while setting down a tray. Miss Derag was passing. He picked it up, sighed, and rolled his e "Unhappy letter," he murmured.

"How romantic," remarked Miss Deraggon, rather terested in the discreet little waiter.

"No—tragic," said Alphonse, in a hollow voice. poor niece" (in a burst of confidence)—"has just left post as maid to Lady de Brown-Robynson. They are g abroad and—and—she is not the good sailor. So now must—ah!—starve."

The actress pricked up her ears and it was not long be she had drawn from the reluctant Alphonse a highly-colo catalogue of Mlle. Marie's virtues as a confidential maid.

Alphonse's niece came, was seen, and conquered. She neat and businesslike, and her eyes were the mirror truth, discretion and reliability. Marie gave every s faction.

Alphonse overhauled his vest-pocket camera, and M proudly exhibited it to her mistress as her birthday pre from her uncle. In response to the hint, the actress her maid a gold bangle.

When the time was ripe Alphonse laid his plans creetly. He made the telephone work overtime one even ringing from a private room where there was no chanc disturbance. In a completely disguised voice he infor Lady Noddy that her husband had been taken ill and brought to the Ultra Cosmopolitan Hotel. Would her ship care to come? She would—well, he was the mana and he would be at the entrance to receive her. Lady No arrived post haste, and was discreetly whisked away Alphonse to the proper quarters—twenty years' experi at the hotel had taught Alphonse how to spirit even most distinguished folk to any part of the building in very busiest hours.

In accordance with his arrangements, Lady Noddy first bustled into Marie's little room, which adjoined Louis Seize drawing room. She was bewildered with hurry of everything, and to steady her nerves looked Marie's camera, lying on the table. Near it were some fi and mechanically she took one or two up. The first wa Alphonse. The second—her husband and St. Geo Deraggon were together in a compromising situation.

In a tremor of excitement she burst through the nearest to hand—into the Louis Seize room where her husb and the actress were dining *à deux*.

Of course there was a terrible scene. When they speechless Alphonse appeared, and taxed for a possible planation, said he understood M'sieur to say the dinner him ill. As to his being manager, he had per exaggerated.

"No, anticipated, I should say," he corrected hims "I hope to be the manager of a hotel—my own hotel, a small one, shortly. I expect to be," he added, meaning turning to Lord Noddy. "If your Lordship would adva ——"

"What!" Lord Tom Noddy was fury itself. Noddy, however, was complacent.

"It's the best thing to be done, Thomas," she said. don't want to spoil your career by suing for divorce. evident that this man knows too much. Give him a hotel shut his mouth."

Miss St. Georgie had not yet quite recovered. "An what about me?" she asked, querulously.

"An American tour, madam?" put in Alphonse, par resourceful as ever. "With Lord Noddy to finance it would be bound to succeed, and you would make your tune, besides marrying a millionaire."

Again Lady Noddy smiled with grim approval. She her husband completely under her thumb now.

Miss Deraggon foresaw endless possibilities in Alphons suggestion. Lord Noddy, with visions of an unwonted ap cation to domestic duties, could only grin and bear it. could not stand a divorce. It was lucky St. Georgie wo agree to a settlement.

Alphonse picked up the films. "When the papers signed, these shall be yours," he added, suavely.

"As for that atrocious niece of yours," blurted out unhappy Minister, glaring at the films as they slipped the waiter's pocket, "She ——"

"Sir, you are insulting my wife!" replied Alphonse, w dignity. "You wrong her. She is my lawful wedded wi She will be manageress of the hotel you are going to g me."

The actress laughed in spite of herself. "What a man she reflected ruefully.

Alphonse gracefully withdrew. He was the soul of d cretion.

CECIL ANTHONY.

# OURSELVES AND OTHER PEOPLE.

Have you 'Brown Eyes'!" asked the nervous youth as entered the music shop.

" replied the shop girl, angrily, "you forget your- And forthwith she called a male assistant.

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### BETWEEN FRIENDS.

ynthia Sophat: Isn't it queer, whenever I sing my dog ules starts howling! Dogs are so sensitive.

uriel Slym: Yes, dogs are very imitative.

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ones: If only we could have wives on approval there'd be ll less heard of unhappy marriages.

rown: There'd be no marriages; but just think of the orns,"

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irst Man: What is the feminine for nut?

econd Man: Nutette, I suppose; or is it *Dink*?

irst Man: What's the difference?

econd Man: Well, one is always experimenting, the 's experienced!

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### AT THE HOSPITAL.

atient: Nurse, I'm very uncomfortable, there's some- got up into the middle of my back.

urse: Nonsense. It's your fancy.

atient: No, I think it's my shirt.

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usher: Did you ever go to Binns, the tailor?

rusher: Yes. Got two suits from him. One dress suit. law suit. Very expensive man, Binns!

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aptain of local team to Binks, strolling past: Do you enough about football to umpire?

inks: I did once. But I know enough about the game not to do it again.

**Young Bill: "Seen our cow about 'ere, Mister?"**
**Stranger: "What's your cow like?"**
**Young Bill: "He's all black, on'y he's got a white spot every how an' agen."**—*Sydney Bulletin.*

### DESCRIPTIVE.

**"Hello, John Willie, going to a wedding! But why do you look so sad?"**
**"Well, you see it's my own wedding."**—*Le Rire.*

"My milk comes watered every morning. It's a gross swindle! And my sugar comes sanded——"

"And that, I presume, is a grocer?"

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### BOARDING HOUSE REPARTEE.

He was one of those fresh young fellows, given to the use of bromidisms and stale slang. At the breakfast table, desiring the milk, he exclaimed: "Chase the cow down this way, please."

"Here, Jane," said the landlady; "take the cow down to where the calf is bawling."—*Boston Transcript.*

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Mrs. Heigho: Old Jonas Hardscrabble fell plumb off th' roof of his house while he wuz shingling it."

Mrs. Whyso: Didn't his wife feel awful?

Mrs. Heigho: Awful is no name for it—he fell right into her bed of sweet peas!—*Montreal Star.*

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### PREPARED FOR A CAMPAIGN.

She (of the suburbs): You seem to feel it very keenly that I have refused you.

He (of the town): Well, as a matter of fact, I have just got a season ticket out here.—*Fliegende Blatter.*

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### MODERN PROVERB.

Behold the man who mindeth his own business and see how dodgasted busy he is and the long hours he putteth in.—*Detroit Free Press.*

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The First Burglar: Kin you'se git up de stairs wit'out disturbin' no one?

Second Ditto: I've been married four years, an' practisin' de trick on me wife all dat time."—*Montreal Star.*

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### HE OBEYED.

Willie was struggling through the story in his reading lesson. "No, said the captain," he read, "it was not a sloop. It was a larger vessel. By the rig I judged her to be a-a-a-a-a——" The word was new to him.

"Barque," supplied the teacher.

Still Willie hesitated.

"Barque!" repeated the teacher, this time sharply.

Willie looked as though he had not heard aright. Then with an apprehensive glance around the class he shouted:

"Bow-wow!"—*New York World.*

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### PROGRESS.

I've a girl in Buffalo;
She's a suffragette, you know.
As a lady she began,
Now she's quite a gentleman.

—*Judge.*

# INTERROGATIONS

## AND WHAT RUMOUR SAYS.

Whether Lady Sackville feels flattered at being made a target for many of the cheap jokes indulged in by third-rate music hall comediennes in provincial towns, and whether the one heard at a hall near London only last week was quite "nice"?

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What the irate old bachelor said on going up to his room at a West End hotel the other night to find that some "humorist" had placed a very dainty pair of shoes outside his door? And what the lady said when she heard of the joke next morning?

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Whether the proprietor of a certain London temperance hotel, who boasts of keeping his eagle eyes well open, is aware of the number of "empties" that adorn the landings after the departure of the "have lefts"?

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Whether in those promised memoirs of hers, Mrs. Langtry will tell us *everything*? Not if she knows it. "Lillie's" no fool.

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Whether it isn't only natural for Pat Malone, of the Gaiety, to give the preference to Irish girls? In any case, he manages to get hold of some very pretty faces—and not *only* faces.

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That the most interesting social event of last week was a theatrical premiere, at which the stalls were far more entertaining than the stage. Half the titled people present were not habitual "first nighters."

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That, contrary to what the papers said, it was not the diplomatic author, but a well-known Countess, who induced "society" to attend. The same peeress chose the frocks, the wonderful Chinese furniture of the second act, and the real English antiques of the third act. She has pretty tastes in these directions, but her weird innovation in wallpaper, at the house not a great distance from Belgrave Square, that she and her young Irish husband took on their marriage, found few imitators.

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That if the shining light of the Conservative party, who backed the leading lady, has to pay for many more such productions he will be "broke" in more ways than one.

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That the Hereditary Grand Duke was present, and congratulated the Countess in her box, and returned the fusilade of opera glasses with interest.

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The station master from a north-western suburb was not present!

**Birds of Yesterday and To-day.**

Is there any truth in the story about the pretty gov and the two-hundred-guinea sables which is being circ rather freely in connection with a certain youthful of the nobility, and what would the Countess have t should the matter chance to come to her ears?

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Why Mr. Hall Caine has taken to lunching in A restaurants, and if he is studying types for his next no

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Whether the attic in which Czech, the composer, ha died was an oper-attic?

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In the corridor of a West End club the followin nouncement wa cently posted: the person who the loofah and nail-brush pleas round for the se it completes the

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The identit the clergyman mixed with the during the wedding proc and distributed exhorting the to "turn their tion to things"!

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Whether the who found Arthur's lost b the St. George's golf links at wich, and after sold it as a me for three gu was not very lu

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What "Mad Latour," the specialist, mean her advertiseme the *Ladies' W* in which she "Get about an of chemise, and a little directly objectionable pa

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Whether the ch cat at Daly's, has been "Peter" for has not caused siderable asto ment by pro ing the com with a fine bar kittens?

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Whether the artist who took other fellow's wi the Fancy Dress

at Covent Garden intends to take her to the next also if he is aware that the lady's husband is on his track?

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If the success of the "Tango Teas" at the Qu Theatre has inspired a number of actor-managers wit idea of using other theatres during the daytime for si purposes?

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Whether the "Major" who obtained a decree ni the dissolution of his marriage on account of his friendship with a certain well-known tennis player, was the impression that the two of them had been playing many "love" games?

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Whether Mr. Tom B. Davis's new play, entitled "A in the Sun," will prove as warm as it sounds?

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If Pegoud isn't making quite a little fortune out o turnover?

the parson's son is so anxious to get back the diamond which he gave to the golden-haired chorus girl some months back?

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the reason is that it is not yet paid for, and that he is ed to death of the affair coming to the ears of his father, what he will do when he learns that the lady has already ed of it?

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the Hon. Mrs. Maurice Brett was not a little *too* generous her praise of "Phyllis" when the latter made her first rance in "The Girl from Utah," and if there was not the faintest suspicion of envy in her voice?

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w Mr. Vernon succeeded in persuading Lord Carrick ve a performance at the Coliseum, and if it was really a very difficult task after all?

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the Southend lady has really eloped with the choir-boy used to call round to cut the grass on the lawn, and if e had up for kidnapping?

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amous old master has been stolen from an Italian ch. *Chacun à son gout.* What's the matter with the mistresses—to say nothing of the maids?

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va Scotia is said to supply annually 40,000,000 lobsters d at £400,000. Figure it out at per single lobster. see how much overweight you shell out, even for the ean tinned. Can the cans cost the difference?

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ether the latest fashion of ties decorated crouching tigers isn't rather in advance the spring?

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ether the much-advertised "Electric ies" aren't something of a shock to the ?

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at the *Evening News* intended to convey the following paragraph: "At Dover Street are a number of these photos. Some show simply the *upper part of the bed* the 'subject' lying on large downy s"?

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ner the two eight-year-old boys charged breaking into a house at Willesden were enter-prising youngsters, who should be in view as possible future Chancellors of Exchequer?

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of the youngest son of a certain ier who has been making such empts to pass a simple examina- romotion, and what his Colonel has to about him?

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entity of the charming Frenchwoman staying in one of the most expensive nd hotels, who caused such a commo- over a mouse which was supposed to have rance in her bedroom? If her e ran screaming into the pas- surprisingly "fetching" for 2 rning, but if the young lawyer the room opposite did not turn too many for her?

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the *Evening News* advertisement, "Milk wanted cheap; must hold water," lay itself out to be misunderstood?

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The Rev. Noel Paterson, vicar of Broms- has expressed the opinion that "man should be on the same horse—the woman behind the other." Of course, but t he realised yet that the sole cause of all trouble is who is to sit behind?

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Long says that if a S.E.C.R. porter's a baby it is likely to result in the ce of the whole railway system. Let's don't have twins in the garden of

In Paris a "spare bedroom" is an unknown quantity, even in the homes of the well-to-do. However, there is always the "wet blanket" for the visitor who has come to stay; and he can always couch his language in appropriate terms, sofa as he is able.

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*Bienvenue!* A wordless lecture has been delivered. Any chance of wives being instructed in the new departure? At 3 a.m. the wobbly Benedick kneeling his way upstairs will offer up a prayer to that effect.

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An M.P. has declared that Harry Lauder gives expression to nothing that is not good and ennobling. Nasty persons might hint that expression is the only thing he does give. We ourselves have been moved to deeds of derring-do by the sublime sentiment of "Ma Daisy" and the like.

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Whether a short cane with a filbert head is the latest craze among nuts?

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"What is a good journalist?" M. Jean Richepin answers that it is a scribe capable of writing history "while you wait," and with *an absolute respect for the truth.* Such a man should be elected a member of the Academy, says Jean. Exactly so, when he is *en evidence.* At present voracity is the characteristic "featured," as the professional papers put it, by the modern journalist. Veracity? That way starvation lies.

**Monkey (puzzled): "I'm sure I heard the maid say there was a nut in the hall! . . . But I can't find it."**

# TABLOID TOPICS.

"Should the mint work overtime?' That's a "touchey" subject.

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Do we drink too much, asks a Sandow advertisement. Not if it's cocoa!

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No, a bacteriologist is not a man who spends his time whipping schoolboys.

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For sending a human fore-arm by post a German has been fined. The mailed fist.

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A boy in a London school has swallowed a pen-nib. We hope he will soon be put to write(s).

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"The King's Stamp Adviser" in the *Express* turned out to be a philatelist. We thought at first he was a bootmaker.

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A lady who considered her husband "so much dirt" has been divorced, and the "co" had to pay £50 damages. Dirt cheap!

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A school of embalming has been started at Walthamstow. We are making a note of the address for the benefit of our Joke Editor.

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"Know and be silent" is the motto of the new Occult Club. It is rumoured, by-the-bye, that women have not the ghost of a chance to enrol.

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The town clerk of South Molton, Devon, is to have a new gown. The old one has been in constant use for half a century. Feminine contemporaries please copy!

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"Mummy with appendicitis" says the *Standard*. The cost of the operation will, no doubt, be borne by the State—unless, of course, some relative can be unearthed.

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"Black Cat day. Gold promised to cigarette smokers" says a newspaper "puff." We have reason to believe that in this case the golden promise did not end in smoke.

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A *Daily Mail* notice, "Are you house hunting? If so send to the *Daily Mail*, etc. Enclose a penny stamp to cover postage." Why, it wouldn't even cover a rent in the roof.

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Enormous muffs shaped like bolsters are to be the vogue this winter. The fashion will further increase the difficulty of distinguishing a woman's outdoor dress from her night attire.

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"I ran into an electric post and it knocked me down insensible," said a man charged with drunkenness at Coventry. Why aren't these menacing street giants kept under proper control after dark?

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A codfish 6ft. long and weighing 300lb. has been hooked at Durban. We wonder whether this is merely newspaper "cod." Anyhow, we are dropping a line to a correspondent on the spot asking for confirmation.

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A heifer which broke loose at Kingston, after running into a public house, bolted into the Griffin Hotel. He evidently intended obtaining a drink somewhere. Probably somebody had given him the griffin that beer was good there.

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Miss Maggie Teyte, the prima donna, attempted to land from a liner at New York clad in kickerbockers, but was sent back by a policeman to put on a skirt—(news par). But we thought Knickerbockers were *haut ton* in New York society!

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A Scotsman has written a letter a third of a column long to a Glasgow newspaper in which he explains that he was unable to pay a halfpenny tram fare because the conductor was on top of the car. He asks what he shall do with the money. "Bang" it on a charity, Sandy.

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"You might wait for hours on the steps of the Senior United Service without catching sight of a single general who still cultivates whiskers on his retiring pension," says "The Londoner" in the *Evening News*. But you should just see him at it if he happens to have a retiring chin.

"Two Thousand Feet Drop." The aviator's [illegible] in the air.

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A well-known West End emporium announces a sp[illegible] "bargain floor." Made of good deals presumably.

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"Lions leap among hotel guests"—appropriately Leipzig. In the Strand the guests rush to the Lyons.

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A man has been acquitted of a charge of stealing a sto[illegible] The stole stolen was the property of a curate called Cutle[illegible] Still steel.

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Child-burglars are becoming too numerous. These [illegible] fantile criminals must be confined to the cracking of the[illegible] own cribs.

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Mr. Matheson Lang will shortly be seen on the Lond[illegible] stage as a Chinaman. The Yell oh! drama is rivalling t[illegible] Hello! revue.

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Sandwich has lost forty acres. We have been perso[illegible] acquainted with sandwiches which have produced a v[illegible] number of achers.

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A fashionable cult is the occult. To develop [illegible] powers the disciples eat fruit. Then is begotten a [illegible] currant for raisin' spirits.

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Lord Derby places trust in the King's right to put [illegible] foot down on the Home Rule scheme. If not the f[illegible] events the royal wee toe.

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Another big store, not quite so West-Endy, is desirous [illegible] turning a portion of its premises into the likeness of a mus[illegible] hall. Look out for remnant-time melodies.

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From the *Sunday Chronicle* we learn that a mill girl [illegible] sented an octogenarian street singer with a sovereign. [illegible] she made a song about it and wanted it back.

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Mrs. Tugwell, charged with sending offensive lett[illegible] through the post, had been shadowed by detectives to p[illegible] boxes. A case of being hunted from pillar to [illegible]

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For the borough councils of Battersea and [illegible] women will run on non-party lines. Tyrant Man thinks [illegible] would be better employed in trotting by the clot[illegible]

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A new one-act piece, entitled "The Green [illegible] is to be in the running with the new four-act play at [illegible] Vaudeville. The cast have given themselves "the bird."

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Other times, other manners. An alderman has [illegible] through a fiery furnace to save a ledger. He must have be[illegible] of lean figure, for he preserved the book and his balance [illegible] at the bank.

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"It is quite easy to take off well-known actors," [illegible] Robert Hale, comedian. Many of them could be "take[illegible] off" without causing a sigh of regret. Then they could w[illegible] their old hats.

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A strong man is about to marry a 40-stone bride. It w[illegible] be a rise in life for her, as he will lift her by his teeth [illegible] a silver trapeze. Thus will he averdupoise. Not ve[illegible] (trap)easy work, one would think.

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In his best high-falutin style, Mr. Hall Caine regrets th[illegible] the ploughman was not represented at Mr. Lloyd George's [illegible] Bedford land meeting. He is very much cut up at the omi[illegible] sion and another furrow appears on his classic brow.

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The newly-elected Lord Mayor of London [illegible] known that his ancestors fought at Trafalgar [illegible] That being so, Wellington's great victory [illegible] term of office at least—be known as the Battle of [illegible]

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The political red-herring whose mission in life has been [illegible] draw the scent in the wrong direction has surely earned [illegible] honourable retirement with an old-age pension. Yet [illegible] Derby, a sport with a little leaven of his ancestor's stam[illegible] manship, has said that the land scheme is the very same red [illegible] herring placed across the trail to Home Rule. Better a red [illegible] herring, perhaps, than a red Erin.

"I dreamt last night you bought me such a lovely hat."
"Um! That's the first dream of a hat that hasn't depleted my banking account!"

...al musicians' strike is threatened. Not the first ... there has been discord in the orchestra. Think of ...mber of bars' rest the malcontents will have if the ...mes off.

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...guilty to a charge of being drunk while in charge ... and cart a man at Greenwich stated that the horse ...fused at the traffic. We can picture the confusion ...traffic had the horse been as spirited as its driver.

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...against women that they cannot make furniture ...esign an easy chair. Who wants them to do so? ...glad and sad eyes, they are already quite design- ...gh. Besides, the ability to fashion furniture—say ... T..., with a conference attached—would be a ...n the way to Cabinet-making.

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...tective Kemp, of Scotland Yard, has been presented ...diamond ring as a mark of esteem upon his retire- ...We congratulate him. And we hope it is not out ...e to remark that there are, doubtless, many other ...en (themselves in retirement) who would have liked ...participated in the marking business.

China has asked for the prayers of the Christian churche. in America. It appears, however, that what she most needs is a collection.

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New Mexico is disposed to brag about its climate, but the judge out there who sentenced a man to 150 years' imprisonment was going a bit too far.

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"The New Crisis in Mexico." What becomes of the old ones? They must be made of awful shoddy. There are no old crises dealers apparently.

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American medical men are concerned over the appearance of a new disease called humeritis, the *Family Doctor* informs us. This, we presume, is a kind of laughing sickness brought on by an affection of the funny-bone.

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In a riot at Dublin a man received injuries necessitating the deft work of the surgical tailor. A rent in his head was repaired with four stitches. The affair was the result of the police getting the needle. The style of stitch was naturally that known as the Erin-bone.

# IN STAGELAND.

Of two brilliant little one-act playlets, tried out recently at the Arts Centre by their author, the famous journalist, Austin Fryers, one will soon be seen curtain-raising at a West End theatre shortly. The first of these, "The Jury Retires," is well-constructed with a faultless finish, but commences with a noticeable drag. The second, "Man at the Works," is a jewel indeed, and tells of a young manufacturer needing only one final brief idea to complete an elaborate manufacturing invention. The secret is held, through vast experience and a successful, but wasted, education, by The Man at the Works, who lies drunk at the moment of the idea's fruition. He supplies the essential detail, however, on discovering that his young master's wife is his own daughter, and leaves the works on six months' leave to complete his wreck or reformation—whichever the audience chooses to decide. The sketch is wonderfully well balanced, with a level degree of quality from cover to cover, and is typical of the author's standard ability. The artistes were, for the most part, worthy of the material at their disposal. Mr. Charles Maunsell, who appeared by permission of Mr. Granville Barker, Mr. Tripp Edgar and Miss Kate Ruskin, as the manufacturer, his dissolute old employee, and the manufacturer's wife respectively, afforded the bulk of support to a cast which was eminently satisfactory.

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I must just comment briefly on another item of this long but important programme. Have you ever been depressed as a result of the activities of an obviously superior mentality? Miss Betty made an interesting but ponderously intellectual debut with three elocutionary items. The first in German, "Der Kukok und der Esel," the next in French, "La Petite Mère," and finally an excerpt in real English. Miss Betty is seven!

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"Come Over Here" is now freshened with many new items, and the much-needed new edition. Hart, Schwarz and Miss Cadman, of the earliest "Come Over Here," remain in the cast. La Belle Otero and Beatie and Babs are valuable assets to the new production, which will be much more successful after a day or two's vigorous sorting and re-fitting. Some of the cleverest hands in Europe will re-construct, so "Come Over Here" in its new form is still a winner.

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Miss Fanny Brice, whose performance for a matter of a few weeks in the above revue at the London Opera House will remain fresh in the memory of most of us, will be at The Palace this week and remain for a short season. Miss Brice is a "confidential" comedienne, and is, I should suppose, the only artist who could give her audience that warm impression of companionable art that is the essential element of successful cabaret entertainment.

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Although I agree that Mlle. Gaby Deslys's performances are, as a rule, almost offensively undesirable, and therefore intensely popular among the extraordinary type of club "blood" that the age has produced, yet must I say in common fairness that that portion of the Rev. Dr. Macgowan's memorandum to the Lord Chamberlain, which states that the Royal office should "assist us in our difficult task of suppressing indecency and vice in our ... cures" is monstrously unfair. The case being thus e... ated, one can almost discern the nauseating snuffle ... invariably one of the symptoms of the Nonconformi... science. There are many and far worse things ... thing possible on the British stage (even in its lea... able Continentalised form) urgently awaiting those ... tous energies of the West End clergy. Let us ... safeguarding of the quite desirably clean reputa... contemporary stage to those who understand it, ... time as the victory of cupidity over decency ... the desirability of the intervention of a contempo... which, now as always, has so much domestic irreg... control that its hands should be quite nicely full ... own house in order. From this further point of v... Butt's remarks to the Lord Chamberlain are those o... and self-respecting business man of the world.

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TWO IMPRESSIONS OF CARMELITA FERRER IN "COME OVER HERE."

Following the fashion of "trying it on ... becoming more and more common, Mr. ... producing H. M. Vernon and Harold ... on Monday at the New Theatre, Manchester. ... course, a genuine first night, as the play ... immediately transferred to London, with ... as may be deemed necessary. Miss Ruth ... Messrs. Harcourt Beatty and Matheson Lang ... cipals in the Manchester cast.

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I have read with interest Evelyn Thaw's "Life ... *Daily Sketch*, and have been particularly amused ... (I am giving her the credit of writing the stuff—the ... of people wouldn't) account of the negotiations ... ceded her appearance at the Hippodrome. ... surprise that she should have received the cu... liminary booming, and her astonishment that an ... possibly believe she had not been engaged ... a dancer, and not because of the notoriety ... name, are really too delightful. I give Mr. ... credit for being a far better business man than ... Thaw would have us believe him.

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Dumas's romance, "The Three Musk... appear at many of our picture halls. ... French writer must not miss this.

...ES ANNESLEY, LORD ALTHAM.

# Royal and Noble Love Affairs.

## No. 26.

### THE STRANGE ADVENTURES OF THE FIFTH LORD ALTHAM, WHO WAS IN TURN WAIF, SLAVE, SAILOR AND LANDOWNER.

## ...eer Sold to an American Slave-dealer.

...tion in the High Court to establish the position of ...gestre as the rightful heir of the Earl and Countess ...bury recalls the amazing adventures of the fifth Lord ...as unfolded in the Irish Court of Exchequer in 1723. ...story which has filled a volume, but still leaves the ...wondering if it can all be true. True it is, however, and ...one of the most extraordinary narratives in the annals ...erage. James Annesley took fifteen days to prove his ...y, and so it need scarcely be said that his story at ...ined an incredible one. He succeeded at last, and ...as a wronged man established in his "rights" after a ...so much vicissitude and romance.

...1710 the ship "Barbara," which had sailed from ...Cork some months before, arrived off the coast of ...and landed with her crew and cargo a poor little lad, ...been browbeaten and thrashed by the crew until his ...all but broken. The captain of the ship had been ...Cork to drown the lad, but he had not the courage ...dirty work for which he had been paid, and so James ...Lord Altham, found himself quickly disposed of "for ...ing sold to a slave-dealer of Newcastle County, ...mond.

## ...g Criminals Succour the Dying Peer.

...slave Lord Altham was made to help in the felling of ...and given the sternest work on the plantation to ...t. "The horrors of this time," he subsequently related, ...recall without a shudder. It was an Inferno, relieved ...the kindness of an old female slave, who was a veritable ...to me. For four years, until her death, she watched ...shielded and cared for me, and taught me all she knew ...tion. For a year after her death I bore the drudgery, ...ion, and the degradation. Then I could bear ...I fled, carrying with me a hedging-bill for my ...days I wandered, mostly foodless, in the woods." ...four days in the forests, he at last gave up hope of ...down to die under the shade of a tree.

...unexpected happened. Before unconsciousness came ...heard the sound of human voices. Pulling himself ...well as he could, he watched, and saw two horsemen ...One of them had a handsome girl mounted behind ...re they saw him they alighted, and seating them-...grass prepared a meal. To the famishing young ...vitation to assist them in consuming their food was ...James Annesley approached, told them his story, ...as frankly told him theirs, that they were escaping ...to secure a passage to Europe.

## ...ham's Narrow Escape from the Scaffold.

...journey was to be fraught with adventures. ...arcely resumed their journey when they found ...pursued by mounted officers, and after a stern ...the fugitives were secured—Lord Altham with the rest ...night-fall the whole party were in the nearest jail. ...then that Lord Altham discovered the real characters ...who had befriended him. They had robbed a rich ...who was the husband of the girl-member of the party, ...had been a party to the crime, one of the gang being ...The law was stern with erring planters in those days. ...saw his rescuers suffer the last penalty of the law, ...nearly hanged himself, but eventually he was handed over to his old master, who from that time proceeded to make his life as unbearable as he could.

But not for long. Lord Altham's experience of the law had awakened a knowledge that even a slave-master had his limitations of torture, and when Lord Altham brought his woes to the local police his master was compelled to sell him to another slave-owner, where he hoped for more just treatment. In this, however, he was disappointed. For three wretched years he continued to suffer the most poignant agonies of mind and body, daily watching for an opportunity to escape. This opportunity at last presented itself, and eventually Lord Altham found himself gazing across the ocean for a boat which would bring him back to Ireland.

## A Story which ought to have been "Filmed."

But once more his hopes of liberty were doomed to disappointment. Before he could get a ship he was betrayed, recaptured, and conveyed back to the plantation from which he had escaped. He had had only one year of his term to serve; now he was condemned to five more years of misery, and this last blow nearly killed him. He fell sick with fever and melancholy, and to save his life his master took him into his own house, and placed him under the care of his wife and daughter. Suddenly the vista of young Lord Altham's life changed. The planter's daughter took a violent "fancy" to the young peer, and very soon Lord Altham's misery had changed to one of "clover." Clover of an embarrassing kind, perhaps, but still a change for the better! And soon there was trouble over the love-affair, for, while he little dreamed it, one of the young Indian females on the estate had also become infatuated with the handsome Irishman. So long as Lord Altham was on the plantation she kept her love-affair to herself, and his lordship remained in ignorance of it. But as soon as the Indian girl saw him removed to the tender endearments of her white rival her hot blood flamed with jealousy! The Indian girl happened, too, to be the belle of the plantation, and she had many sympathisers amongst her own people.

## Turquoise Swears to Kill Her White Rival.

In the depths of her anguish the Indian maid vowed that if the slave-master's daughter married Lord Altham she would have her life. The Indian girl communicated her determination to Lord Altham, and a tragedy seemed inevitable. Eventually the loving attentions of the slave-master's daughter brought Lord Altham back to life and health, and he returned to his duties in the field, though not in the menial capacity in which he had formerly been employed. His life was still an unenviable one, however, for the Southron belle hourly dogged his footsteps, and implored him to return her love. Lord Altham could not do so, however, and at last the Indian lass determined to "have it out" with her rival. Waiting for Marie one day, when she was on her way to Lord Altham in a remote part of the estate, the Indian girl expostulated with her mistress in regard to Lord Altham, and a fierce fight between the two girls followed. It ended in the white girl escaping, and the Indian, foreseeing trouble, at once plunged into the nearest river, and was drowned.

## The Plot Thickens.

The tragedy was followed by a serious illness for the white girl, and in her delirium she raved of Lord Altham, until all the plantation knew of her secret. Her father decided that Lord Altham had become a dangerous possession, so he sold him to another slave-master, who, however, proved to be a friend. Unfortunately, the new abode was in the near neighbourhood of

the former scene of Lord Altham's romance, and as the dead Indian girl's brothers had sworn to be avenged for the loss of their sister, Lord Altham's life soon became a torture from a new cause. Every hour he had to be on the alert to prevent Turquoise's brothers foully ending his career. The attack came in due course, when the brothers caught him in the woods, and, as they thought, beyond protection. Assuredly Lord Altham would have been murdered on the spot, had not the assassins been rudely interrupted in their plot by the appearance of a company of officers in search of a runaway slave. Lord Altham sustained a serious wound in the hip, however, which placed him *hors de combat* for two months.

## Love-sick Woman Endeavours to Poison Lord Altham.

Lord Altham's adventures in America were even now by no means ended. He became the object of the passion of the slave-owner's wife. This woman had already had one *liaison* with a slave on a neighbouring plantation, and they had arranged to rob the woman's husband, and elope with the proceeds to Europe. The plot was overheard by Lord Altham, who told the woman what he had heard, and threatened to betray her to her husband if she did not abandon her design. Instead of endeavouring to "get even" with Lord Altham, she fell violently in love with him, and so persistently urged her passion upon him that in the end she endeavoured to poison him owing to his coldness. The young Irish peer had by now had enough of life on the plantations, and an opportunity of escape presenting itself, he made one more rash bid for liberty, and got it, after thrilling escapes from death by privation, wild animals, and starvation in the forests.

## Peer who Tried to Lose His Only Son.

At last James Annesley found himself aboard a British ship once more. There was little of the lord about him, for all his life he had been the victim of every uncivilising influence. But the commander of the ship on which he had taken passage as a sailor happened to be Admiral Vernou, a sailor of noble birth, who became interested in the remarkable story James Annesley had to tell. So impressed was he that he gave Lord Altham papers by means of which he was enabled to return to England, and prosecute his claims to his title and estates. And the story he had to tell of his early youth simply "licks creation," as the Yankees say. His father, the fourth Lord Altham, was a dissolute and rascally fellow, who, having squandered his patrimony, desired to execute several leases on his property, which, while his infant son lived, he was unable to do. He determined, therefore, to get rid of the unwanted child, and so he took him from the public school where he had been head boy and the pride of the academy and sent him to a school in a wild part of the country, where he might forget his own ancestry. And when Lord Altham failed to pay the fees, his son was turned into the byways of Ulster, to pick up his living as best he could.

For a long time he roamed the country lanes, sleeping under hedges and in ruined churches and castles, until one day he found himself in a village, the gamins of which were soon having fine fun with the tatterdemalion stranger. The quarrel having ended in blows and the stranger having suffered a severe mauling, an old woman befriended him, took him into her cottage, and gave him a meal. And when the unhappy lad told the old woman that he was the son of Lord and Lady Altham, she seemed to have an inkling of the story. For, strangely enough, the boy's wandering steps had brought him to his own county, and within measurable distance of the old home where as a child he had been cradled in luxury.

## The Lost Peer Confronts His Wicked Uncle.

The old woman, conceiving a keen interest in the lad, sent for Lord Altham. In reply Lord Altham sent his brother, Richard Annesley, who told the lad he was a bastard, and that his mother had been a strumpet, and absolutely refused to recognise the child as a lawful heir of the Althams. But Richard Annesley was a rotter. All the time he knew the boy to be his own nephew, and within a few days he had arranged for his death on board a schooner in the Cove of Cork, and James Annesley found himself kidnapped, and carried aboard the lugger. When he again put foot on Erin's soil James Annesley found that his cowardly uncle, Richard, had succeeded to the title and estates, and had been created Earl of Anglesey and Baron Mountnorris. Richard Annesley had a terrible shock when James Annesley confronted him with his record of wickedness! But he was equal to anything!

He invited his nephew to go shooting, and when the young ex-slave accidentally shot a poacher, Richard Annesley tried his hardest to get his nephew hung, and even offered £10,000 for evidence that would convict him. It was clearly proved that the poacher was killed by misadventure, and after a trial of fifteen days' duration, James Annesley's title to the Altham peerage and estates was proved. He left no heirs, however, and the estates eventually went to other members of the Annesley family.


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### SENSATIONAL CURES OF RUPTURE.

Although the invention has created a furore in scientific circles [illegible] he has already fitted more than 100,000 persons, Mr. Pallant [illegible] great credit to himself, but views the extraordinary success of [illegible] ance as the mere result of the recognition of a scientific truth [illegible]

A short time ago, when asked how he discovered the [illegible] and why [illegible] not curable [illegible] Pallant said: "[illegible] rule truth is [illegible] ture can never [illegible] cured or kept [illegible] ing wrong [illegible] constantly [illegible] If a rupture [illegible] not cure it [illegible] hold them [illegible] can heal [illegible] are scarcely [illegible] them. No [illegible] cases can [illegible] constantly [illegible] my new [illegible] and the [illegible] are perfectly [illegible] natural."

MR. EDMUND PALLANT
Founder of
The Pallant Institute.

### OLD METHODS AND TRUSSES CONDEMNED.

Mr. Pallant [illegible] "All of the [illegible] ever devised [illegible] ing rupture, [illegible] crudely [illegible] worse than [illegible] cause them [illegible] They aggravate [illegible] instead of [illegible] cure. Hospital surgeons will tell you that nearly [illegible] entirely by [illegible] formed for rupture is made necessary [illegible] This is because [illegible] fitting or wrongly-constructed trusses. [illegible] truss exerts an almost terrific inward and downward pressure [illegible] enlarges the rupture and often maltreats the most delicate parts [illegible] nervous system. In the vast majority of cases the old-style [illegible] inflict terrible injuries to the spine.

"Years ago I saw all the harm and misery which these trusses [illegible] and I resolved that, if possible, I would construct an appliance [illegible] would actually give relief to, and, if possible, cure, many of the [illegible] sufferers, whose number is millions.

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# ODERN SPORT
## FOR MEN AND WOMEN.

M.C.C. cricket team which sailed for South Africa ek is universally acclaimed as the best combination as left these shores for that Colony. They left with t wishes of a big circle of cricketers and sportsmen in their ears. Yet many of those who spoke at the l luncheon paid anything but a compliment to the ity of the as the govern- y when they d the fact that hirteen players ing the trip. d that the ques- expense en- nto the matter. habet Douglas, skipper, is to owed to ap- the South Cricket Asso- to permit him e the services English crick- o may be in Africa if neces- s. One would that it is prac- ible for to keep tropical anything Most that it is ously strong Douglas is but it must be d that an never ubber in and al- nd by

s is clearly champion country it will add much to faction if this time we finish on top out there. by the way, is not sailing with the side. He is going the missus" on an intermediate boat. They are still outh Africa and particularly in Natal over the Faulkner and Vogler to play in test match cricket y are included in a South African team there will s.

### AMERICAN LADIES' GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

the subject of international sport it is pleasing to congratulate Miss Gladys Ravenscroft on her the American ladies' championship. In a way a bit of a surprise, for most of us expected Miss Dodd to prove the best of the Britishers. But in the she struck an off day, and was beaten 8 and 7 by nd and fellow-traveller. Miss Ravenscroft, who plays man's game, was not too strong in her short game, te Vardon, uncertain in her putting. In her match champion Miss Dodd was quite off her game and , or, to use the usual sporting term, stale. In s Marian Hollins was down nearly all the way isher, but she played a very plucky game, and ten by 2 up. Miss Ravenscroft and Miss mpbell have now won both the British and championships. Among men the feat has been ed by H. H. Hilton and Harry Vardon, of Great and W. J. Travis, of America.

### THE FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP.

e Duncan came by his own in wining the £400 ent at Walton Heath, buf he went one better in also he French Golf Championship at Chantilly from a ich included practically all the crack European golfers exception of Ted Ray and Harry Vardon. There surprise on the opening day when H. D. Gillies, teur, headed the field with rounds of 75 and redit. Duncan was six strokes behind at the end at , and few people expected him to reach the Gillies, by the way, refused to take a prize in the value of the fifth award. The gold medal or nothing is the motto with some of the best class amateurs, and Gillies is anything but a pot hunter.

### OXFORD OR CAMBRIDGE?

Great surprise has been occasioned by A. G. Barry, who won the Amateur Golf Championship at Prestwick in 1905, as a member of St. Andrew's University, going into residence at Oriel College, Oxford, as an undergraduate. At the time he won the championship a great many misstatements were made about Barry, who was generally described as a Scot, but who in reality was born in Cornwall. The surprise really lies in the fact that Barry, in addition to St. Andrew's, is also an old Cantab., and is, as all who follow the doings of first-class play at all closely already know, a member of the Oxford and Cambridge Golfing Society. Will Barry under the circumstances be eligible to represent Oxford against Cambridge, having already played for Cambridge against Oxford? It raises a curious point.

After George Duncan, Tom Ball, and the victory of the Raynes Park man in the Belgian championship was extremely popular. Ball has had some slices of bad luck in the big shows of recent years, but has always been at or near the top of the profession. His game of 145 for 36 holes at Lombartzyde was made against much the same field as Duncan beat in the French contest. Braid again finished second only a stroke behind the winner, but George Duncan had an off day and was six strokes off Ball's score.

### SCULLING PROSPECTS.

From Australia comes the story that Dick Arnst and big Jim Paddon are going to scull on the Paramatta on November 1st, and that the winner is almost certain to visit England early next year for the purpose of challenging Ernest Barry's title to the world's sculling championship. If Arnst wins, as he will do unless he has greatly deteriorated, the race on the Thames will be of tremendous interest, for it would be the rubber between the Thames man and the Australian. Meanwhile Barry resolutely refuses to consider offers to visit Australia.

### CRICKETERS AT HOCKEY.

It is not generally known that a good many first-class cricketers, pros as well as amateurs, play hockey during the winter months in order to keep themselves fit. Willie Quaife, the Warwickshire midget, is a case in point. He turns out for Olton, as a half-back. After all there is much in common between the two games, but Quaife is somewhat of a veteran for a fast game like hockey.

### BOXING TOPICS.

There seemed some likelihood of trouble in the Wells-Carpentier match, but I am assured the reason for the delay in the Frenchman's posting the money—£500—for this battle at the National Sporting Club on December 20th is that business has kept Mr. Deschamps on the other side of the Channel. It was said that Carpentier's left hand went in his fight with Jeff Smith. Perhaps that was an excuse made by his partisans for the comparatively poor display he put up in that match. At any rate he was boxing Willie Lewis at Rouen yesterday (Sunday) or at least at the time of writing these notes there was no contradiction of the announcement, so the excuse that Carpentier's left hand went must be taken as a bit of swank to account for the poor display.

We have also heard rumours that the Bombardier has knocked up his right hand, but there is nothing in this. The big fellow has been kept at home by an illness of his wife's. She is now convalescent, and after Wells's exhibition match at Liverpool this week, he will go to his training quarters at Selsey to prepare for his battle with Carpentier. By the way, it is interesting to note that the match at the

National will be conducted in a style quite foreign to that place—in fact, in the French style. There will be a ring director, and three judges, two of whom will be French. Carpentier would not have signed articles for the match unless this had been agreed to first. Have the extraordinary decisions at the National during the last season had anything to do with Carpentier's decision? There were others besides Jim Driscoll, Boyo Driscoll and Digger Stanley who thought they were aggrieved in decisions given at headquarters last year.

While on the subject of disputed decisions I hear that the Billy Farrell - Jim Prendy bout at The Ring on Monday, in which the actor-boxer was adjudged the winner, was not by any means in accord with popular fancy. That is saying a good deal, for Farrell is a prime favourite with the boys at The Ring. From all accounts it was a fine bout, but I did not see it, the National, with Con Houghton and Young Greenstock calling for my presence.

At the National we were all struck with the wonderful improvement in Houghton. The ex-amateur, who must be close upon thirty, showed wonderful generalship and ring craft. Greenstock started jauntily as if he were going to cake-walk through the match, but after a round or so Houghton's steadiers made him much slower. Then Greenstock tried to finish it with the right, and every time he led that way he was met with a straight left punch full in the face, with the result that his lips were cut to ribbons, and his seconds threw up the sponge at the end of the tenth round.

## 'VARSITY RUGBY.

The Rugby fifteens at both 'Varsities have made a promising start to their season, and both did well last Saturday. Cambridge quite outplayed the Old Leysians, what time Oxford were tried very highly indeed against the Old Merchant Taylors at Richmond. The Taylors had beaten Blackheath and run the Services to a point, form which made them out to be as good at the moment as any club in London. Oxford moreover took the field without Knott.

As I have explained, the Cambridge team, with its fifteen Old Blues in residence, is bound to be exceptionally strong this year. That does not say that they will win the inter-'Varsity match, for the favourites at Queen's Club usually get beaten.

The trials at both 'Varsities have been interesting. have not told the respective captains much that they did know. C. Lewis, the Welsh international, will get vacant place at half-back for the Light Blues. The petition for places in the team is so keen, and the at Cambridge's disposal so good, that several have to stand down, much as a captain may believe theory that it is dangerous to change a good side.

Oxford have also a promising Welshman in O. Jen the Swansea three-quarter. Bain has a more difficult make up a team, but there is every prospect that has done it it will be a clinking good one. Wait an

## THE ASSOCIATION GAME.

The captains at both 'Varsities are hoping that the and the A.F.A. will quickly agree as to the terms which an honourable peace may be made. I understand that both 'Varsities have made provisional arrangements with some of the big League sides to visit them. Those realise how 'Varsity soccer has fallen off since the will also realise how anxious the captains are to fix matches with teams that can extend them and bring their powers. 'Varsity matters all round for the sports are in the trial stage just now.

In recent years the record of Swindon in first eight matches must surely be unequalled. however, the performance is not quite so good as Blackburn Rovers in winning seven and drawing their first nine games. The Southern League con is not a First League affair nowadays by any means Southern League sold their birth-right when they into agreement with the Football and Scottish L the transfer question.

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## OUR CODY FUND.

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# ON HALLOWE'EN.

Superstition is like the measles—it attacks us periodically. Although every parvenu in the country who came over with the Conqueror, you know, possesses a ghost that risks pneumonia on Christmas Eve by walking with bare feet through the gloomy corridor, holding a head (presumably its own) under its arm—although numberless spectres do this at Christmas time, I say, I have yet to hear of one that gives itself really ridiculous exhibition of itself on, say, the August Bank Holiday.

But Hallowe'en, the eve of All Saints' Day, is such a time as I speak of, a time of festivity in our rural districts, when one can find hobgoblins in abundance; and with the aid of a pair of nut crackers, some Barcelonas, and a couple of ribstone pippins, to say nothing of teeth (Blobb's Best; only 42s. the set; pay in weekly instalments.—you can find who'll win next year's Derby.

One other harmless Hallowe'en pastime is to empty some apples into a tub of water; you then get down on your knees (mind of the crease in your trousers, and push your head down by force of will to the bottom of the tub. Decoy an apple into an alcove, grasp it by the nape of the neck, and withdraw from its watery grave. The apple is now your own property of conquest and may be either eaten, or stuffed and exhibited in a glass case.

But it is of the supernatural side of Hallowe'en that I intended discourse. When critics have frowned, mindless of the fact, on Shakespeare's just honours, they seem to forget its momentous significance; they seem to forget that one of the world's greatest men gave his name to it. In this wise:

One evening in the time of ancient Rome, Crassus was returning from a night at the "Garter" with his friend, Julius, rather the worse for wear. They had proceeded a little distance homewards when Crassus suddenly indignantly alleged that a blue cow dogged their footsteps. He refused to be pacified, and in a terrified voice said to his comrade:

"Look, look her, Julius—Julius, seize her!"

The startled neighbours, awakened by the din, observed the unusual spectacle, and ever after nicknamed the bibulous Crassus friend "Julius Seizer." This was corrupted to Julius Caesar, and the name is now, like Pears Soap, a household word. Of course, historians, piqued at having allowed this interesting fact to escape them in their researches, will tell you that this anecdote is absurd and untrue. Personally I cannot see that it is any of their business.

But I digress. Getting back to it at that, however, let's get back to Hallowe'en. There is a well-known superstition that on this night any one can see the face of one's future wife or husband (as the case may be) can do so by standing in front of a looking-glass and combing one's hair while eating an apple. If the omens are propitious, and your love can appreciate you at her best, peering over one's shoulder shall be seen the face of the bride or groom.

Let us, then, for a little space, I pray you.

Exactly a year ago I loved two damsels, who between them tore my heart to shreds. Sybil, it must be admitted, was a bulky person; but to atone for this defect she had a big bank balance. Madge—Madge was like a blessed Damozel—and as devoid of worldly possessions as I am. On whom should I ask first? For, at any rate, if one refused I could ask the other. So I decided to leave it to fate, and if Sybil's face appeared in the mirror, her hand, if Madge's, she would have the honour.

I crept from my room to the kitchen below, to stealthily purloin an apple to split as ruthlessly as that infinitive; but was caught in the act (of purloining the apple, I mean) by the dear lady of some twenty stone and fifty summers who makes sublime salads. Her puddings, however, are sometimes stodgy. She addressed to me a few trenchant remarks which, translated, were to the effect that people who were not for pippins should purchase instead of prowl. I stole from the spot in chastened mood, carrying, however, the pilfered pippin; and soon had taken my place before the glass.

I combed my hair vigorously, and gluttonously masticated the pippin, staring all the while in the mirror.

Merciful heavens!—over my shoulder appeared the lugubrious face of the lady of the stodgy pies—

Then I discovered she was no vision, but a vast reality. While I wiped the perspiration from my heated brow and my advice on the morrow's dinner. From the expressive shufflings of her ponderous feet and her remarks at my dishevelled appearance, I am convinced she was equally convinced of my insanity.

Cautious as I am ever cautious, I naturally—er—sacked

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# STOCKS AND SHARES

## BY "ORTHOS," THE FINANCIAL EDITOR.

My forecast was correct regarding Americans. As I mentioned last week the market was sold out, and a big bear account had been built up, with the result that a sharp change came over the market on Wednesday last, and prices rapidly improved.

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I trust readers acted on my timely tip to pick up Unions and Eries at the lower figure, as they will have already got a three or four point profit in hand.

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My advice about Mexican Railways proved only too true. The collapse has come, but a much worse one than even I anticipated, and so much so that I cannot help feeling that it has been overdone, and that, despite Revolution and everything else, both Mexican Ordinary and Second Pref. stocks are worth purchasing now, as the price in each case is bound to improve, for after all the 6 per cent. on the Second Pref. stock is still well covered, and the Ordinary get over 2 per cent.

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Even if there was another scrap up in Mexico now I do not see how the price could go much lower, but with any improvement in the situation and a better rate of exchange the stock is bound to recover rapidly.

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I now advise Mexican Rails as a most excellent gamble for the speculator.

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Although markets as a whole are still as quiet as ever, with very little business doing, activity has now broken out in another direction.

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Rhodesian Land is all the cry now, in anticipation of the scheme to be promulgated by Sir Starr Jameson in South Africa.

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It is pretty clear there is a big movement on hand in which we are likely to find big American concerns interested.

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It is too early to talk with any certainty, but it rather looks as if the Rhodesian Land boom I talked about some six months ago is at last near fruition, and if so, you will see Chartereds go much higher and Rhodesian Land and Mineral, that I so repeatedly advised my readers to pick up, will be prominent in the rise.

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The price of these shares has already improved, and I hope the very many of my readers that purchased on my advice will now have the opportunity of realising a very substantial profit.

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Other shares in the Land Section are Farm Lands, North Charter Land, Rhodesia Consols, and Transvaal and Rhodesia Estates.

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In each case the above-mentioned have improved some 10 to 20 per cent. in the past week, and if you are inclined for a speculation in Rhodesian Land, then my advice is to buy at once, and not wait until the shares have got high enough for those who went in at the earlier doors to be tempted to take profits, otherwise you will find yourself left with a purchase at top price.

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In the mining section there is still very little improvement, although the activity created in the Rhodesian Market has extended to the Kaffir group.

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Shebas at 5s. cum dividend of 3d. keep their price very well, and as they yield 17½ per cent. at this price, nobody should mind waiting for the revival of this market.

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To those readers who prefer dealing with an outside broker, so as to save commission, I would warn them to be very careful to whom they send their money and instructions.

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The only outside firms that I personally know of who can be relied upon are Lockwood and Co., and The National Share Exchange of 22, Great Winchester Street. These firms have a reputation for prompt payment, and a nouncement of The National Share Exchange will be on another page.

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North Caucasians are still in much favour, and been actively bid for.

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Shells are better and Spies have firmed up to

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There must be some very bad management for Rudge Whitworth to pass the ordinary divide cycling companies have had quite a booming time the introduction of motor bicycles, and firms like Royal Enfield and Rover Cycle Company have re declared big dividends.

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As I have previously intimated, readers w chase Bowerman's Press 1s. shares should direct with the Secretary, Farringdon H Street.

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I am glad to learn from time to time that the three sound investment securities that I quote each are much appreciated by many of my solid investments showing a yield of abo most instances the investments quoted Securities.

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# RACING.

## BY "OLD HAND."

Arthur Templeman had a narrow escape from a serious accident when Queen's Man fell at Gatwick. The horse slipped immediately after passing the winning-post and gave the rider a nasty fall. It is fortunate for the elder Templeman that he broke no bones and escaped with a bruised shoulder. In the company of A. Duller he sails for India on November 7th and both return by March.

F. Barling, the West Ilsley trainer, has had the indentures of E. Gardner transferred from J. F. Hallick. Gardner takes up his residence at his new quarters immediately and will be given plenty of opportunities by his new master. Hallick is a past-master in the art of supplying good jockeys, the brothers Templeman, Robins, Calder, and Dainty, all serving their time with the popular Lambourn trainer.

So far this season Buckstead has been seen in public upon twenty-two occasions, and has proved successful five times. His latest victory was brought off at Newcastle, where, carrying 10st. 11lb., he accounted for thirteen others. R. Sherwood's aged horse is a half-brother to Eton Boy.

This week racing takes place at Nottingham on Monday and Tuesday; Newmarket, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday; Worcester, Thursday and Friday; Lingfield Park and Cheltenham, two meetings under N.H. rules, finishing off the week on Saturday. In addition the sport at Nottingham is also under N.H. rules, and there is a hurdle race to be decided on the concluding day of the Worcester fixture.

The principal event of the week is the Cambridgeshire Stakes, run at headquarters on Wednesday. Long Set may after all start and try to carry the top-weight of 9st. 7lb. to victory. Personally, I prefer Mr. Sol. Joel's other candidate, Maiden Erlegh, who has 13lb. less to shoulder, and since recovering from a cough has given his trainer, C. Peck, every satisfaction in his gallops. Prior to winning in a canter at Doncaster, it will be remembered that Maiden Erlegh started favourite for the Royal Hunt Cup, but cut up badly in company with Fairy King behind Long Set and Santair. Going strictly on the "book," the last-mentioned pair should finish ahead again, but I shall expect the extra distance to reverse the placings, at any rate, with Long Set. Since winning at the last fixture here Santair has won a trial, and Maiden Erlegh should find it a hard task to concede a stone. I shall expect Santair to take a lot of beating. Florist is unbeaten as a three-year-old, but no three-year-old has proved successful for this race since Velocity's victory in 1905. In the Duke of York's Stakes Florist accounted for eight of the entries here in Equanimity, Oselle, Absolute, Mohacz, Thistleton, Cantilever, Light Brigade, and Seremond. I shall expect Florist to take care of most of his Kempton opponents, but in Equanimity, who is fast coming to her best, Mr. Dresden's colt will be meeting a most formidable antagonist. With only 7st. Equanimity will be a danger to the best, and my readers should not overlook the fact that at the Houghton meeting a year ago she beat Lorenzo two lengths. The distance then was a mile and a quarter, and Mr. L. de Rothschild's candidate was trying to concede 14lb. The weights here favour Equanimity to the extent of 5lb. Lorenzo is a somewhat slow starter, but should he get off on level terms with his field would hold a big chance. Light Brigade was just beaten by Blue Stone at the Second October fixture here, and Blue Stone has now the better of the weights. Prior to the Duke of York Stakes Lord Derby's colt was unbeaten as a three-year-old. Mustapha will once again form one of the Cambridgeshire field, but I prefer others. With R. Wootton's stable in such form it is not surprising that Fairy King is favourite. He has only been beaten twice this season, and has been given a most consistent preparation. His best performance this season was at Hurst Park in May, and then he very easily beat a useful field, including the St. Leger winner, Night Hawk. Earlier Mr. Hulton's colt had won in fine style from Queen's Parade over a mile at Newmarket. I like Fairy King immensely. Bonbon Rose has come over to run from France, and is thought to possess more than an outside chance. Drinmore won two races at Epsom this season, and finished third to Adam Bede and La Boheme for this race last season. Mr. G. Edwardes's candidate is expected to again make a bold bid for premier honours. Wisemac is reported to have done well in his work of late, and is expected to run well. It will be remembered that he won a couple of races early in the season in fine style, and a point in his favour is that

he hails from Lines's successful establishment. After Cheerful's poor show at Alexandra Park I have no liking for her. Bugler has been well supported, and is expected to run well, but in endeavouring to name the winner I shall choose FAIRY KING,
and expect Drinmore and Equanimity to fill the remaining positions, although I hardly like to leave Santair out. Some of the riding engagements for the race are: Maiden Erlegh, Wal. Griggs; Florist, Maher; Light Brigade, Rickaby; Lorenzo, Whalley; Fairy King, W. Huxley; Bonbon Rose, Sharpe; Drinmore, Piper; Santair, Martin; Wisemac, Robbins; Jameson, R. Stokes; Bugler, Marsh; and Cheerful, Cooper.

My other selections are:

NOTTINGHAM—Monday.
Welbeck Hurdle: Gallivant.

Tuesday.
Gotham Hurdle: Jack Saw.

NEWMARKET—Tuesday.
Trial Selling Plate: Brancepeth.
Rutland Handicap: Dalmatian.

Wednesday.
New Nursery: Marcina.

Thursday.
Richmond Nursery: Atticus.
Ditch Mile Handicap: Khedive III.

Friday.
Durham Stakes: Thistleton.
Final Plate: Kiltoi.

WORCESTER—Thursday.
Worcester Handicap: Abelard II.
Riverside Nursery: Cross Moon.

Friday.
Deerhurst Nursery: Na Nos.
City Handicap: Starboard Light.

LINGFIELD PARK: Saturday.
Tannery Hurdle: Bunch o' Keys.

CHELTENHAM—Saturday.
Southam Hurdle: Presage.

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The Olympic Fund is still moving. Don't forget the accent on the lamp.

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A weekly contemporary devotes a page to discussing the best means of teaching would-be athletes to jump. They should just hire a motor 'bus horn.

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Camberwell has now over 60 acres of burial ground, of which is used for a golf course. Camberwell always was to the "fore." As for the spirits, they are doubtless buried.

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For selling as a smoking mixture a substitute for tea to boys under the age of sixteen a chemist was fined £2. The boys can be protected, it seems, but any old stuff will do for father, we suppose.

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A feature of the big French automobile show is the number of cars with canoe-shaped tonneaux. Evidently the motor-car people have noticed the increasing propensity for canoodling which characterises the motor-hog on a "joy-ride."

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e pockets should be as few as convenient, and if they wn on to the coat a marking of the stitching is visible e outside. The best way is to have the pockets made g," and of the same material as the coat. Your tailor know what I mean by "swing."

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ave recently seen a hat with the base of the crown per- d all the way round, letting a free current of air circu- utside—a very excellent idea.

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the evening dress swallow-tail coat the position of the -line is a matter of consequence, and the very stout or thin, the very short or the very long man must leave to his tailor, if he has a good one upon whose judgment n rely.

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e average man, however, may note that a high waist- helps to make one look taller and slimmer, giving a long-limbed aspect which is very smart and "young ish."

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young American I met this summer is a tennis en- st," and in fact comes pretty well up to professional in the game. His tennis rig was new to me.

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e flannel shirt and trousers were cut in one piece. The had the back pleated, allowing good "give and take" erving," stooping or reaching for the ball, and there mple fulness at the waist to give free movement.

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in one piece, the shirt cannot work upward, and the rs cannot crawl downward, and from waist to thigh is only one thickness of flannel.

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h half sleeves, a soft collar and a club or college tie g out was smart and workmanlike, and the coolness and rt of it must be very marked on a sultry day. The should take on well in England if some tailors would it.

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tab wing collar is still in mode, but the tabs on the shape are longer and wider than formerly. With this llar when worn with evening dres a rather wider tie d be used.

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es at my tailor's this week for the final fitting on of my overcoat, and while waiting a few minutes overheard versation between the cutter and an elderly but well- ed man, apparently a new customer to the firm.

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was giving a variety of instructions about a morning e as having built—pockets, the length and cut fronts, breadth of collar and lappels, etc.—and wound " and none of those nonsensical buttons at the back." ilor looked dumbfounded, but breathed out an assent command, for it was issued as a command.

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s set me thinking what was the use or good of these ttons set on the waist-line at the back of a morning k coat.

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ows the conservatism of man in dress. These two e are a relic of the time when the Buck tucked up the of his flowing satin coat, fastening the corner to the ad buttons.

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satin coat, knee breeches, silk stockings and high- shoes, with paste buckles, have disappeared from our , but the two buttons still remain, and the tailor s his short pipe and sews on the two buttons (charging an hour of "log" time for the operation) without or knowledge of the old-world flavour of romance d to the said two buttons.

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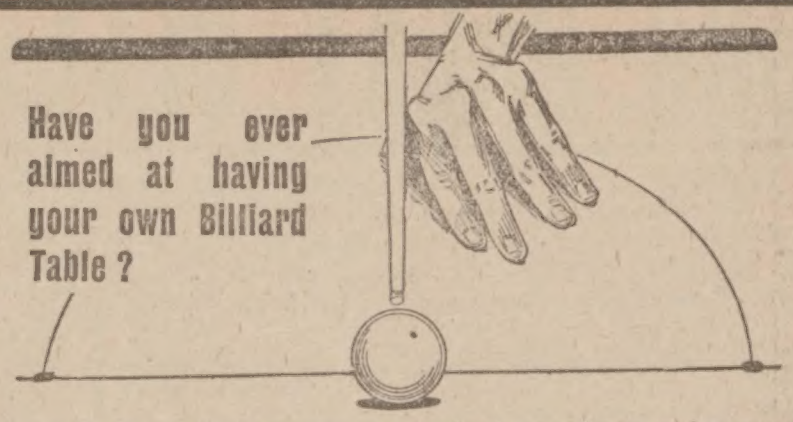

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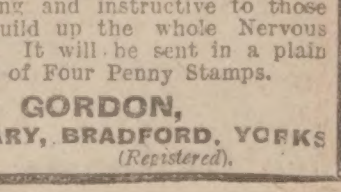

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